

FROM YOUR STATE SENATOR

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Changes in our nation's economy have dramatically impacted state budgets throughout the country. Connecticut was one of more than 20 states that grappled with a budget shortfall in 2015.

Democrats led by making difficult cuts, restoring critical funding to our hospitals, and protecting municipal aid. We also worked with the business community to improve our corporate tax structure to benefit businesses that employ Connecticut workers.

- **Cut \$350 million from the state budget** in December Special Session, bringing total spending cuts to nearly \$1 billion in 2015;
- **Restored \$50 million in funding to our state's hospitals**, which, with federal matching funds, will amount to **\$150 million**;
- **Delivered major property tax relief** by increasing municipal aid;
- **Restructured corporate taxes** to provide a better business climate;
- **Established a bipartisan state spending cap commission**;
- **Passed a resolution to create a constitutional lock box**—the first step toward ensuring that transportation-specific revenue is spent on improving our transportation infrastructure.



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## Spending Cut \$350M

Legislators Cut Corporate Taxes, Balance Budget

“Democratic lawmakers—with no Republican votes—passed a bill Tuesday that cuts corporate taxes and slices \$350 million in spending...”

**The**  **Day**

12/10/15

## Hospitals, business groups hail special session

“Hospitals and business groups Wednesday hailed news that the General Assembly had cut taxes and restored funding in areas critical to their priorities...”

**"The legislature is paying attention to the hospitals."**

Tony Sheridan, Chamber of Commerce of Eastern Connecticut, The Day 12/10/15

**The legislature "took an important step."**

Jennifer Jackson, Connecticut Hospital Association, The Day 12/10/15

**"The changes are a necessary step in the right direction."**

Brian Flaherty, Connecticut Business and Industry Association, The Day 12/10/15



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